

**ACYLA Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, December 3, 2013 – 7 p.m.**  
**New Hope Ice Arena**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Laurie Ripplinger (Co-President), Michael Charles (Co-president); Kent Zehrer (outgoing Treasurer); Tony Johnson (Coach & Equipment Manager); Jean Sawyer (parent); Jill Ojala (parent)

**Minutes:**

No action was taken on the November 5, 2013 minutes.

**Treasurer's Report**

**Communication Update**

- Mark Lucas has drafted a newsletter to be published soon. We want to add content for winter workouts and reword the helmet story to clarify that it is for high school players only.

**Webmaster's Update**

- None

**Old Business:**

- Sandburg damage
  - Our insurance provider through US Lacrosse (Bollinger) recommends filing an incident report if we experience an event for which there may be a claim. Kent has created a draft, but it has holes and needs help from the other participants.
  - Michael reported that he received information from Betty that the school district received estimates of \$20,000 to repair/replace (not clear which) the damaged dividers. Because of the cost, they have decided not to repair/replace. As a result, we are cleared to use 281 facilities for conditioning but we may not use equipment.
    - **Action:** Follow up with 281 to see if we can use soft balls for our recruiting clinic (since for this event, the participants bring nothing with them). **Who?**
    - **Action:** Follow up with 281 to see if we can get the final determination in writing. **Who?**
- Spring tournaments
  - Kent reported that Carol tried again to find blocks of hotel rooms in Grand Rapids and found only scattered small blocks.
  - We decided last month not to send teams to Grand Rapids or Rochester in 2014. That decision stands.
- Uniforms
  - Kara is still working with vendors, including Northstar Lacrosse.
- Operating Guidelines and Policies
  - Subcommittee Update:
    - First draft is done.
    - Next step is to distribute for review
- US Lacrosse rule changes -- balls

- Tony reported that there is no obvious secondary market for the unused balls we bought last year.
- No decision yet as to what to do with them.
- However, we should plan on buying new balls ASAP. **Action: Tony**
- Lacrosse organizational meetings (governance, officers, bylaws, etc.)
  - MBSLA – November 17
    - Michael and Laurie attended for ACYLA; Kent represented AHS.
    - Various new associations were approved.
    - MBSLA will introduce a Field Marshal concept in 2014. This will be similar to YLM's Chill Manager, except it will be a paid position hired and scheduled by MBSLA.
    - No action was taken relative to a merger with YLM.
  - YLM -- November 18
    - Tony Johnson attended.
    - U15 and U13 must have A/B teams this year if they field two or more teams. Associations can opt out by waiver.

**New Business:**

- Winter workouts
  - We will have a two-tiered rate again this year. A market rate of \$205 with a discount for participants within district 281
  - We want to set a rate to break even based on a target of 40 participants.
    - **Action: Michael**

**Next Meeting –**

Tuesday, January 7

7:00 p.m.

New Hope Ice Arena, Meeting Room 1

- **Action: Kim Wepplo** - Reserve meeting room at New Hope Ice Arena for the first Tuesday of the month through 2014.